World Bank Assistance for Garment Industry

■t2348-B. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state;

(a) whether World Bank has identified the Indian garment industry for providing financial assistance;

(b) if so, whether World Bank feels that the garment industry in the country offers trem°ndous scope for growth, both domestic and export;

(c) if so, what is the total amount of aid which the Worla Bank has agreed to provide to assist the garment industry; and

(d) how this loan of the World Bank is proposed to be utilised by the garment industry?

THE MINISTER OF STATE INj THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHANPOOJARI):.

(a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Leakage of Poisonous Gas.

t2348-C. MISS. SAROJ KHA-PABDE: Will the Minister of LAB-OUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether Central Government are aware that the Maharashtra Government is deeply concerned for non-enforcement by the Central Government of the existing laws and regulation for minimising the chances of leakage of poisonoug gases and chemical explosions;

(b) whether it has come to the no-otice of the Central Governmeni that the equipment and storage tanks of most of the chemical plants, breweries and coal mines are aged increasing the chances of leakage and explosions;

(c) if so, what is the reaction of Central Government in this regard;

(d) what is the number of cases of gas leakage and explosions in Maha rashtra during the last six months; and the number of persons died and injured in these accidents with the names of the factories where the accidents took place; and

(e) what corrective steps are pro-i posed to be taken by the Central Gov-j ernment in this matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI P.A. SANGMA): (a) to (e): Information is being collected.

12.00 Noon.

RULING BY CHAIRMAN—

On Privilege Notices given by Members in Ram Swaroop Case

MR. CHAIRMAN: Just before the current session commenced, I had received privileges notices given by Shri P. Upendra, Shri M. S. Gura-pJEjdaswamy, Shri Pyarelal Khatidel-wal and Shri S. P. Malaviya pointing . out that their names were mentioned in the charge-sheet in the Ram Swaroop espionage case which had been given wide publicity thereby tarnishing their public image and deterring them from discharging their duties as Members of Parliament. Referring to certain excerpts from the chai^ge-shjeet, Shri Khandelwal and Shri Milaviya stated that their conduct as Members was sought to be questioned by implying in the charge-sheet that they have been puttingi quesions in Parliament at he behest ' of certain foreign powers and had

Previously Unstarred Question 3054, transferred from the 17th March, 1986.

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